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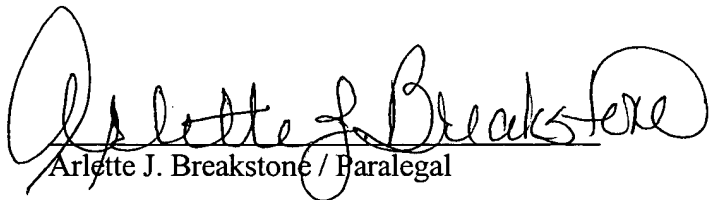
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**CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAIL**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the following correspondence: Request for a One-Month Extension of Time; a Check in the Amount of \$120.00 for the required fee; Amendment Transmittal Letter (in Duplicate); Amendment; and a Return Postcard for confirmation of receipt, is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as Express Mail No. EV 720778765 US, addressed to: Mail Stop Fee Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia, 22313-1450 on this 31<sup>st</sup> day of May, 2005.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

May 31, 2005

In re application of : AHEARN et al.  
Serial No. : 10/698,877  
Filed : October 30, 2003  
For: **AN OPTICAL BEAM MODULATING  
SYSTEM IMPLEMENTING THE USE  
OF CONTINUOUS TUNABLE QWIMs**  
Examiner : HANIG, R.  
Art Unit : 2873  
Our File No. : 20020006 (10513.3816)

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Office Action, February, 8, 2005, this amendment is submitted. Reconsideration is respectfully requested. Applicant hereby requests a one month extension of time, thus extending the time to respond to June 8, 2005. A check in the amount of \$120.00, the fee required for the one month extension, is enclosed.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5.